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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R §§1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following reference, which is also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. Chinese Utility Model Application Publication No. 2364843Y, published February 23, 2000, together with an English-language summary.

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The reference was cited in an Official Action dated June 29, 2007, received from the Chinese Patent Office. Applicants are submitting a copy of the above-cited reference required by 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i) and (ii). Please note that the other reference cited in the Office Action, namely, Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-187100, published July 2, 2002, together with an English-language abstract was previously submitted with Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement dated July 5, 2005. The relevance of the reference is described in the Official Action.

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